

# *Annual Report*

*For the Town of*

BENTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE



*Year Ending December 31*

# **1962**



TOWN OF BENTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

*Annual Report*

OF THE TOWN OFFICERS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1962

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## BENTON TOWN OFFICERS—1962

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**Moderator:** James J. Page

**Town Clerk:** Ruth F. Page

**Selectmen:**

Osmon M. Collins	(Term expires 1963)
James J. Page	(Term expires 1964)
John Boutin, Sr.	(Term expires 1965)

**Treasurer:** Priscilla Boutin

**Tax Collector:** Francis H. Lackie

**Representative to the General Court:** John Boutin, Sr.

**Supervisors of the Checklist:**

Ethel A. Boutin	Forrest E. Clark	Lena Collins
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**Constable:** William J. Harris

**Highway Agent:** John Boutin, Jr.

**Trustees of Trust Funds:**

John G. Elliott, Sr.	(Term expires 1963)
Forrest E. Clark	(Term expires 1964)
William J. Harris	(Term expires 1965)

**Auditor:** Ethel A. Boutin

**Sexton:** John G. Elliott, Jr.

**Surveyor of Wood and Lumber:** James J. Page

**Fence Viewers:**

Priscilla Boutin	Iona Boutin
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**Overseer of Public Welfare:** Ethel A. Boutin

**Health Officer:** John Boutin, Sr.

**Civil Defense Director:** Ruth F. Page

**Ballot Clerks:**

Iona Boutin	William J. Harris
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**Ballot Inspectors:**

Mildred Elliott	Osmon M. Collins
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## TOWN MEETING WARRANT

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You are hereby notified to meet at the Community Building in said Benton on the second Tuesday of March next (the 12th) at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to vote and act upon the following subjects:

**Article 1.** To choose a Town Clerk; one Selectman for three years, Osmon M. Collins being the outgoing member; one Treasurer; one Tax Collector; one Highway Agent; one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years, John G. Elliott, Sr., being the outgoing member; one Auditor; and all other necessary town officers and agents for the ensuing year.

**Article 2.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$110.37 as the Town's share for construction of highways (Town Road Aid).

**Article 3.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17.58 for the White Mountains Region Association.

**Article 4.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the White Pine Blister Rust Control Program.

**Article 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to observe Memorial Day as in past years.

**Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to make any alterations in the amount of money to be raised and appropriated for the ensuing year as recommended in the budget, and raise and appropriate all sums so determined.

**Article 7.** To hear the reports of officers and agents

and pass any vote relating thereto.

**Article 8.** To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

**Article 9.** To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to administer or sell any real estate acquired through Tax Collector deeds.

**Article 10.** To see if the Town will authorize a discount on property taxes paid before a date set by the Selectmen and to set the amount of said discount.

**Article 11.** To see if the Town will vote to dispense with the delivery of inventory blanks until April 1st.

**Article 12.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the playing of beano.

Given under our hands and seal this 1st day of February, A.D., 1963.

OSMON M. COLLINS

JAMES J. PAGE

JOHN BOUTIN, SR.

Selectmen of Benton

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BENTON

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### Estimates of Revenue for the Year 1963 Compared with Actual Revenue for the Year 1962

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Actual 1962	Estimated 1963
<b>From State of New Hampshire:</b>		
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 65.96	\$ 70.00
Railroad Tax	8.07	8.00
National Forest Reserve (one-half)	1,275.64	1,000.00
Class V Highway Maintenance	383.19	507.04
<b>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</b>		
Dog Licenses	32.00	50.00
Interest on Taxes and Deposits	57.63	40.00
Income from Trust Funds		125.00
Rent of Town Truck	834.63	800.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	751.94	750.00
<b>Cash Surplus:</b>	1,350.00	1,891.72
<b>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:</b>		
Poll Taxes	124.00	96.00
Yield Taxes	1,026.41	1,000.00
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<b>Total Revenues from all Sources Except Property Taxes:</b>	\$5,909.47	\$5,337.76
<b>Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes:</b>		3,527.23
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<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>		\$9,864.99

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BENTON

### Estimates of Expenditures for the Year 1963 Compared with Actual Expenditures for the Year 1962

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Actual 1962	Estimated 1963
<b>Current Maintenance Expenses:</b>		
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 446.80	\$ 450.00
Town Officers' Expenses	441.79	450.00
Election and Registration Expenses	383.64	65.00
Town Buildings Expenses	106.95	100.00
Police Department	15.00	15.00
Fire Department		100.00
Blister Rust Control Program		100.00
Health Department	5.00	5.00
Vital Statistics	3.50	5.00
Town Road Maintenance—Summer	1,634.83	750.00
Town Road Maintenance—Winter	1,168.97	1,000.00
Class V Highways Maintenance		507.04
Town Truck Expenses	1,069.92	1,000.00
Town Road Aid	93.30	110.37
Memorial Day	27.40	25.00
Cemeteries	234.60	250.00
Regional Association	17.58	17.58
Interest on Temporary Loans	15.00	15.00
Interest on Long Term Notes	48.49	
<b>Outlay for Permanent Improvements:</b>		
Mt. View Cemetery	135.00	
<b>Payment on Principal of Debt:</b>		
Long Term Note (Town Truck)	1,400.00	
<b>County Taxes:</b>	401.24	400.00
<b>School Taxes:</b>	3,780.00	4,500.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>\$11,429.01</u>	<u>\$ 9,864.99</u>



# SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION—1962

Land and Buildings		\$106,340.00
Electric Plants		
New England Power Co.	\$28,750.00	
N. H. Electric Coop., Inc.	3,320.00	
White Mountain Power Co.	1,040.00	
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		33,110.00
Boats (after exemptions)	(2)	70.00
Horses	(4)	250.00
Cows	(97)	9,280.00
Neat Stock	(2)	100.00
Fowls	(350)	70.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks		200.00
Road Building and Construction		
Machinery		54,648.00
Portable Mill		2,700.00
Lumber		2,400.00
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Total Valuation Before Exemptions		\$209,168.00
Less: Veterans' Exemptions		— 5,887.00
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Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed		\$203,281.00

## STATEMENT OF TAXES ASSESSED—1962

Total Town Appropriations	\$6,470.88	
County Tax	401.24	
School Tax	4,540.42	
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION</b>		\$11,412.54
<b>ESTIMATED REVENUES</b>		<u>— 5,190.15</u>
		\$ 6,222.39
Overlay		<u>282.60</u>
<b>AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES</b>		\$ 6,504.99
Separate Tax Rates:		
Town Rate	\$ .77	
County Rate	.20	
School Rate	<u>2.23</u>	
<b>Combined Rate</b>		\$3.20
<b>Net Valuation \$203,281.00 x Tax Rate \$3.20=Amount to be Raised \$6,504.99</b>		

# Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures, Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1962

Title of Appropriation	Amount	Receipts & Reim- bursements	Total Amount Available	Expendi- tures	Unexpended Balance	Over- draft
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 500.00	\$	\$ 500.00	\$ 446.80	\$ 53.20	\$
Town Officers' Expenses	450.00		450.00	441.79	8.21	
Election and Registration	325.00		325.00	383.66		58.66
Town Buildings Expenses	100.00		100.00	106.95		6.95
Police Department	15.00		15.00	15.00		
Fire Department	100.00		100.00		100.00	
Health Department	5.00		5.00	5.00		
Vital Statistics	5.00		5.00	3.50	1.50	
Town Roads Maintenance						
Summer	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,634.83		634.83
Winter	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,168.97		168.97
Town Truck Account	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,069.92		69.92
Town Road Aid		622.65 *		715.95		
Memorial Day	93.30		93.30	27.40		2.40
Cemeteries	25.00		25.00	234.60	15.40	
Region Association	17.58		17.58	17.58		
Mt. View Cemetery	100.00		100.00	135.00		35.00
Interest	85.00		85.00	63.49	21.51	
Long Term Note	1,400.00		1,400.00	1,400.00		
County Tax	401.24		401.24	401.24		
School Tax	4,540.42		4,540.42	3,780.00	760.42	
	<u>\$ 11,412.54</u>	<u>\$ 622.65</u>	<u>\$ 12,035.19</u>	<u>\$ 12,051.68</u>	<u>\$ 960.24</u>	<u>\$ 976.73</u>
			Unexpended Balance			— 960.24
			Net Overdraft			\$ 16.49

\* State Share Town Road Aid.

## BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1962

## ASSETS

Cash		
In Hands of Treasurer	\$6,052.77	
In Hands of Tax Collector	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$6,054.77
Accounts Due from State		
Porcupine bounties		6.00
Unredeemed Taxes		
Levies of 1955-1957		200.12
Uncollected Taxes		
Levy of 1962	468.53	
Levy of 1960	38.04	
Previous Years	133.90	
State Head Tax—1962	45.00	
State Head Tax—Previous Years	5.00	
	<hr/>	690.47
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TOTAL ASSETS		\$6,951.36

## LIABILITIES

Accounts Due State		
State Head Tax—1962	\$ 100.00	
Yield Tax-Bond & Debt		
Retirement	200.44	
	<hr/>	\$ 300.44

Balance of Appropriation Due School District	3,860.61
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$4,161.05
Surplus	2,790.31
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	\$6,951.36

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

## SUMMARY OF PROPERTY, POLL, YIELD, AND STATE HEAD TAX WARRANTS

Taxes Committed to Collector and Uncollected Taxes as of 1/1/62	Levy of 1962	DEBITS							
		Levy of 1961	Levy of 1960	Levy of 1959	Levy of 1957	Levy of 1956	Levy of 1955	Levy of 1954	Levy of 1953
Property Taxes	\$6,504.99	\$1,052.21	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Poll Taxes	96.00	38.00		4.00		2.00			
Poll Taxes Abated, not Remitted	2.00								
Yield Taxes	1,058.52	20.51	38.04		77.60		36.40	6.16	14.73
State Head Taxes	290.00	110.00		10.00		5.00		.44	2.40
Interest		37.12							
Penalties	5.50	11.00		1.00					
TOTAL DEBITS	\$7,955.01	\$1,270.84	\$ 38.04	\$ 15.00	\$ 77.60	\$ 7.00	\$ 36.40	\$ 6.60	\$ 17.13
CREDITS									
Remittances to Treasurer			\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Property Taxes	\$5,963.97	\$1,052.21							
Poll Taxes	82.00	38.00		4.00					
Yield Taxes	997.91	20.51						3.08	4.91
State Head Taxes	245.00	110.00		10.00				.44	2.40
Interest		37.12							
Penalties	5.50	11.00		1.00					
Discount	147.10								
Collected, not Remitted									
Poll Taxes Abated		2.00							
Uncollected Taxes									
Property Taxes	393.92					2.00			
Poll Taxes	14.00								
Yield Taxes	60.61		38.04		77.60		36.40	3.08	9.82
State Head Taxes	45.00					5.00			
TOTAL CREDITS	\$7,955.01	\$1,270.84	\$ 38.04	\$ 15.00	\$ 77.60	\$ 7.00	\$ 36.40	\$ 6.60	\$ 17.13

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1962

## DEBITS

	1961	Tax Sale on Account of Levies of:			
		1958	1957	1956	1955
	None				
Taxes Sold to Town During Current Year		\$ 52.13	\$134.43	\$ 54.74	\$ 75.72
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes 1/1/62					\$ 70.80

## CREDITS

Collected and Remitted	\$ 52.13	\$ 21.75	\$ 43.02	\$ 70.80
Unredeemed Taxes 12/31/62		112.68	54.74	32.70
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 52.13	\$134.42	\$ 54.74	\$ 75.72
				\$ 70.80

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

### Detailed Statement of Uncollected and Unredeemed Taxes As of December 31, 1962

#### UNCOLLECTED TAXES

	<u>Property</u>	<u>Poll</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Yield</u>
<b>Levy of 1962</b>				
Resident				
Boutin, Albert and Mabel	\$ 38.40	\$ 4.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 11.95
Boutin, John, Sr., and Ethel	104.00			
Boutin, John, Jr., and Iona	41.60			
Elliott, John G., Jr., and Catherine	25.60	2.00	10.00	
Elliott, Robert O. and Beverly	1.12	2.00	5.00	
Enderson, Bruce		2.00	5.00	
Hansen, Mary Jane (deceased)		2.00	5.00	
Harris, William and Seraphine	12.80	2.00	10.00	
Noxon, Lester and Laura	32.00			
Non-resident				
DeRusha, Kenneth	.80			
Elliott, Robert F. and Alice	25.60			
Finn, Daniel and Mary	80.00			
N. H. State Sanitorium				48.66
Prue, William	16.00			
Shaw, James and Helen	16.00			
<b>Levy of 1960</b>				
McKee, John				38.04
<b>Levy of 1957</b>				
Dennis, Dorman				77.60
<b>Levy of 1956</b>				
Crowe, Jane		2.00	5.00	
<b>Levy of 1955</b>				
Boutin, John, Jr.				12.03
Boutin, Joseph, Jr., Joseph N., and John, Jr.				24.37
<b>Levy of 1954</b>				
Boutin, John, Jr.				3.08



Levy of 1953			
Boutin, Joseph, Jr., and John, Jr.			9.82
<u>\$393.92</u>	<u>\$ 16.00</u>	<u>\$ 50.00</u>	<u>\$225.55</u>

### UNREDEEMED TAXES

	1957	Levy of: 1956	1955
Boutin, Joseph, Jr.	\$	\$	\$ 32.70
Elliott, John G., Sr.	42.37	54.74	
Wheeler, Donald	70.31		
	<u>\$112.68</u>	<u>\$ 54.74</u>	<u>\$ 32.70</u>

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS H. LACKIE,

Tax Collector

**TREASURER'S REPORT AND DETAILED  
SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS**

Taxes			
1953	Yield Tax	\$ 4.91	
	Yield Tax Interest	2.40	
		<hr/>	\$ 7.31
1954	Tax Sale Redeemed	70.80	
	Tax Sale Interest & Costs	21.88	
	Yield Tax	3.08	
	Yield Tax Interest	.44	
		<hr/>	106.28
1955	Tax Sale Redeemed	43.02	
	Tax Sale Interest & Costs	17.20	
		<hr/>	60.22
1957	Tax Sale Redeemed	21.75	
	Tax Sale Interest & Costs	5.04	
		<hr/>	26.79
1958	Tax Sale Redeemed	52.13	
	Tax Sale Interest & Costs	8.32	
	Tax Sale Redeemed 1961, not remitted	.83	
	Tax Sale Interest & Costs, 1961	.17	
		<hr/>	61.45
1959	Poll Tax Collected	4.00	
	State Head Tax Collected	10.00	
	State Head Tax Penalties	1.00	
		<hr/>	15.00

1961	Property Tax Collected	1,052.21	
	Property Tax Interest	37.12	
	Poll Tax Collected	38.00	
	Yield Tax Collected	20.51	
	State Head Tax Collected	110.00	
	State Head Tax Penalties	11.00	
		<hr/>	1,268.84
1962	Property Tax Collected	5,963.97	
	Poll Tax Collected	82.00	
	Yield Tax Collected	997.91	
	State Head Tax Collected	245.00	
	State Head Tax Penalties	5.50	
		<hr/>	7,294.38
From Town Clerk			
	Motor Vehicle Permits—1962 (74)	722.90	
	Motor Vehicle Permits—1963 (1)	29.04	
	Dog Licenses (13)	32.00	
		<hr/>	783.94
From State of New Hampshire			
	Interest and Dividends Tax	65.96	
	Railroad Tax	8.07	
	National Forest Reserve	2,551.29	
	Class V Highway Maintenance	383.19	
	Reimbursement a/c Town		
	Road Aid	622.65	
	Porcupine Bounties	46.00	
		<hr/>	3,677.16
Town Truck Account			
	Town of Benton	731.72	
	State of New Hampshire—		
	County Bridge	42.30	
	A. Ventries	5.00	

Insurance Payment for Truck Repairs	55.61	
	<hr/>	834.63
Woodsville National Bank— Tax Anticipation Note		1,000.00
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TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$15,136.00
Balance January 1, 1962		5,604.86
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		\$20,740.86
Less: Selectmen's orders	—	14,679.25
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		\$ 6,061.61
Less: Bank charges	—	8.84
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Balance December 31, 1962		\$ 6,052.77

Respectfully submitted,

PRISCILLA BOUTIN

Treasurer

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS—1962****Town Officers' Salaries**

William J. Harris, trustee	\$	8.00	
Forrest E. Clark, trustee		8.00	
John Boutin, Sr., selectman		61.00	
Osmon M. Collins, selectman		51.40	
James J. Page, selectman		118.40	
Priscilla Boutin, treasurer		60.00	
Francis H. Lackie, tax collector		60.00	
Ruth F. Page, town clerk		50.00	
Ethel A. Boutin:			
auditor	\$20.00		
overseer of public welfare	10.00		
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		30.00	
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	\$		446.80

**Town Officers' Expenses**

Mileage	\$	18.58	
Meals		8.44	
Postage		17.40	
Telephone		3.20	
Supplies		56.39	
Association dues		9.00	
Printing town reports		191.03	
Officers' bonds		81.00	
Transfers		2.36	
Boat report charges		1.05	
Safe deposit box		4.40	
Motor vehicle and dog fees		40.10	
Bank charges		8.84	
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			441.79

**Election and Registration**

Ethel A. Boutin, supervisor	\$	71.20
Lena Collins, supervisor		71.20
Forrest E. Clark, supervisor		63.15
James J. Page, moderator		27.60
Ruth F. Page, town clerk		27.60
John Boutin, Sr., selectman		27.60
Osmon M. Collins, selectman		
and ballot inspector		27.60
Mildred Elliott, ballot inspector		18.40
William J. Harris, ballot clerk		18.40
Iona Boutin, ballot clerk		9.20
Mabel Boutin, ballot clerk		9.20
Edson C. Eastman Co., Inc.,		
supplies		5.13
John G. Elliott, Sr., materials		
for voting booth		7.38

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**Town Buildings Maintenance**

John G. Elliott, Sr., repairs	106.95
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**Police Department**

William J. Harris, constable	15.00
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**Bounties**

76 porcupines	38.00
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**Health Department**

John Boutin, Sr., health officer	5.00
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**Vital Statistics**

Ruth F. Page, town clerk	3.50
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**Town Road Aid**

Town appropriation	\$	93.30
Road work reimbursed by State		
Labor	\$101.58	

Equipment hire	521.07	
	<hr/>	622.65
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		715.95
<b>Town Road Maintenance, Summer</b>		
Labor	\$ 899.33	
Equipment hire	620.90	
Gravel	97.50	
Repairs	16.00	
Supplies	1.10	
	<hr/>	1,634.83
<b>Town Road Maintenance, Winter</b>		
Labor	\$ 526.49	
Equipment hire	385.00	
Blades for snowplow	176.03	
Salt	54.40	
Sand	16.00	
Supplies	11.05	
	<hr/>	1,168.97
<b>Town Truck Account</b>		
Repairs	\$ 393.66	
Gas and oil	328.29	
Recap tires	142.54	
Insurance	123.43	
Tire chains	43.65	
Labor, payment advanced to driver—State work on County Bridge	38.35	
	<hr/>	1,069.92
<b>Memorial Day</b>		
Food	\$ 20.00	

Flowers	5.00	
Supplies	2.40	
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		27.40
<b>Cemeteries</b>		
John G. Elliott, Jr., sexton		234.60
<b>Mt. View Cemetery Improvement</b>		
Equipment hire	\$ 68.50	
Labor	57.50	
Fill	9.00	
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		135.00
<b>Regional Association</b>		
White Mountains Region		
Association		17.58
<b>Interest</b>		
Tax anticipation note	\$ 15.00	
Long term note	48.49	
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		63.49
<b>Indebtedness</b>		
Tax anticipation note	\$ 1,000.00	
Long term note	1,400.00	
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		2,400.00
<b>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions</b>		
State Head taxes	\$ 306.00	
Yield tax, Bond and Debt		
Retirement	16.76	
County tax	401.24	



## School tax

Appropriation      \$3,780.00

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Forest Reserve    1,275.65

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5,055.65

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5,779.65

TOTAL PAYMENTS

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\$14,688.09

## TRUST FUNDS

### Report of Trustees of Trust Funds for Year Ending December 31, 1962

There are in custody of the Trustees the following Trust Funds bequeathed to the Town of Benton. The income shown (\$186.97) is that received during the year 1962, and the distribution of income is as specified by the donors of the funds.

Name of Fund	Distribution of Income			
	Amount of Fund	Cemetery	School	Highway
Ira Whitcher	\$ 513.65	\$12.96	\$	\$
Whitcher & Mann	500.00	8.50	2.00	2.00
Whitcher & Mann	1,000.00	15.00	5.00	5.00
Whitcher & Mann	1,750.00		51.25	
Whitcher & Mann	1,750.00			51.25
L. H. Parker	200.00	No income		
J. C. Speed	132.11	4.68		
Sam'l Whitcher & Wm. Kendall	189.69	6.69		
Wm. T. Torsey	45.46	1.60		
Sam'l Annis	45.46	1.60		
Jonithan Davis	45.46	1.60		
George Clark	190.27	6.71		
Ella Mann	50.00	1.76		
K. L. Howe	50.00	1.76		
D. M. & K. L. Howe	100.00	3.52		
Isabella M. Tyler	50.00	1.76		
Maude & Lee McKean	100.00	2.33		
	<hr/> \$6,712.10	<hr/> \$70.47	<hr/> \$58.25	<hr/> \$58.25

All the above funds are either deposited in savings accounts in the Lisbon Savings Bank & Trust Co., or are invested in Government bonds which are stored in a safe deposit box at the Lisbon Bank at Lisbon, N. H.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN G. ELLIOTT, SR.

FORREST E. CLARK

WILLIAM J. HARRIS

Trustees

## **TOWN AUDITOR'S REPORT**

I have examined the accounts to the Tax Collector, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Trustees of Trust Funds, Selectmen, and Highway Agent and have found them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ETHEL BOUTIN

Town Auditor

January 26, 1963

## **REPORT TO HEALTH OFFICER TOWN OF BENTON, N. H.**

### **For Year Ending December 31st, 1962**

The T.B. Heaf test for tuberculosis was administered to the school children.

The Oral Sabin polio vaccine was given to 22 in Benton and others attended the Woodsville or North Haverhill clinics.

Physical examinations and immunizations for whooping cough, diphtheria and tetanus plus polio and small-pox and booster shots were given to those who attended the Woodsville or Lisbon clinics.

Home visits were made to infants, preschool and adults for counseling and assistance with health problems.

My sincere thanks for the cooperation received.

Respectfully submitted,

LORETTA B. RUSSELL, R.N.

State Public Health Nurse  
Lincoln, N. H.

## MEMORIAL DAY REPORT

At our annual Memorial Day Dinner we served one hundred and ten people, including fourteen ladies from the Grafton County Farm. We hope they can be with us another year.

We wish to thank everyone who helped in the preparation and serving of the dinner and those who donated money and all those who attended the dinner.

### Expenses

From Town Appropriation:

F. J. Norris Co., groceries and supplies	\$15.40
E. B. Mann & Co., ice cream	7.00
Kelley's Greenhouse, flowers for cemetery	5.00
	<hr/> \$27.40

### Donations

Mr. Howard Tyler	\$2.00
Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Gregory, Sr.	5.00
Miss Christine Parker & friends	4.00
Mr. James Leonard & friend	2.00
Mr. E. B. Mann & son	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Leleme	1.00
Donations at table	1.40
	<hr/> \$17.40
Less roll of paper	— 9.40
	<hr/> \$ 8.00

We reimbursed the School District \$9.40 for a roll of paper for the tables from East Ryegate Paper Co. The

balance of \$8.00 was used for the Community Christmas tree.

We also wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Ira Elliott for delivering the roll of paper.

ETHEL BOUTIN

MILDRED ELLIOTT

LENA COLLINS

Memorial Day Committee

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
*of the*  
**BENTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
*Year Ending December 31, 1962*

**DISTRICT OFFICERS**

***School Board***

Mrs. Ethel Boutin, Chairman	Term Expires 1965
Mr. James Leonard	Term Expires 1964
Mrs. Mildred Elliott	Term Expires 1963

***Other District Officers***

Mr. James Page	Moderator
Mrs. Lena Collins	Treasurer
Mrs. Iona Boutin	Auditor
Mrs. Ethel Boutin	Clerk
Mr. Forrest Clark	Truant Officer
Mr. Ronald A. Perham	Superintendent of Schools

***Teacher***

Mrs. Karen Patten	Benton Street School Grades 1-6
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### ***SCHOOL WARRANT***

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Benton, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the School and Community Building in said District on the twelfth day of March, 1963, at one o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the State Foundation Aid Fund together with other income; the School Board to certify to the Selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town.

9. To see if the District will authorize the School Board to make application for, and to receive, in the name of the District, such advances, grants-in-aid, or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government and/or State Agencies.

10. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

ETHEL BOUTIN  
MILDRED ELLIOTT  
JAMES LEONARD  
School Board

### ***THE NEW LOOK***

On page 31 of the school report you will find next year's budget for the Benton School District. If you compare this budget with the report of last year you will see that the order of items is markedly changed and some of the items are entirely different. This change follows a complete revision of the State Financial System, the educational reports co-ordinating with Federal accounting practices. The reports are based on a decimal system for use with the modern electronic machines, to produce accurate, uniform and early statistical data for the U. S. Department of Education.

This new system is adopted state-wide in New Hampshire on recommendation of the State Tax Commission and Board of Education. The change-over presents some problems the first year, but advantages are beginning to appear and after this year's use we anticipate these reports will be more understandable.

Expenditures for last year are set up with the old account numbers on page 33. Budget for this year and next are set up with the new account numbers on page 31.



**BUDGET FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OF BENTON — 1963 - 1964**

	Budget 1962-1963	Proposed Budget 1963-1964
<b>100. Administration</b>		
110. Salaries	\$ 58.50	\$ 64.00
135. Contracted Services	14.00	14.00
190. Other Expenses	20.00	15.00
<b>200. Instruction</b>		
210. Salaries	3,500.00	3,600.00
215. Textbooks	200.00	150.00
230. Teaching Supplies	200.00	150.00
<b>300. Attendance Services</b>	5.00	5.00
<b>400. Health Services</b>	85.00	65.00
<b>500. Pupil Transportation</b>	932.00	932.00
<b>600. Operation of Plant</b>		
610. Salaries	410.00	410.00
630. Supplies	15.00	15.00
640. Heat	80.00	80.00
645. Utilities	85.00	85.00
<b>700. Maintenance of Plant</b>	100.00	100.00
<b>800. Fixed Charges</b>		
850. Employee Retirement & FICA	255.00	275.00
855. Insurance	50.00	50.00
<b>1477. Outgoing Transfer Accounts in State</b>		
1477.1 Tuition	3,815.00	4,515.00
1477.2 Transportation	218.00	218.00
1477.3 Supervisory Union Expenses	202.00	202.00
1477.4 Tax for State-Wide Supervision	65.00	65.00
CONTINGENCY FUND	100.00	100.00
	\$10,409.50	\$11,110.00

# ***SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE***

***1963 - 1964***

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1963.

Total amount required to meet School Board's budget as itemized in Column 2 of the Budget Report

\$11,110.00

## ***ESTIMATED INCOME OF DISTRICT***

Balance June 30, 1963	\$ 0.00
Federal Aid: Forest Reserve	1,000.00
State Foundation Aid	3,900.00
Income from Trust Funds	58.00

We recommend that the District adopt the proposed budget and raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,110.00 for the school year 1963-1964.

ETHEL BOUTIN

MILDRED ELLIOTT

JAMES LEONARD

School Board

## ***Recommended Motion:***

Moved that the School District raise and appropriate \$11,110.00 and to authorize and direct the School Board to apply against said appropriation such income as is estimated by the School Board, exclusive of State Aid, and upon the determination of the amount of State Aid to be received by the School District during the next fiscal year, to authorize and direct the School Board to apply against such appropriation the sum to be received from State Aid and with the School District Clerk certify to the Selectmen the balance as an assessment to be raised by the Town for school purposes.

**STATEMENT OF BUDGET AND  
EXPENDITURES**

***Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1962***

	Budget 1961-1962	Expended 1961-1962
<b><i>Administration</i></b>		
1. Salaries of District Officers	\$ 66.00	\$ 64.50
2. Supt. Salary (Local Share)	75.00	65.71
3. Tax for Statewide Supervision	65.00	54.00
4. Salaries of Other Adm. Personnel	70.00	66.92
5. Supplies and Expenses	65.00	90.43
<b><i>Instruction</i></b>		
6. Teachers' Salaries	3,400.00	3,400.02
7. Books & Other Instr. Aids	150.00	105.07
8. Scholars' Supplies	150.00	88.48
<b><i>Operation of School Plant</i></b>		
11. Salaries of Janitors	410.00	410.00
12. Fuel or Heat	80.00	47.00
13. Water, Light, Supplies & Exp.	85.00	158.58
<b><i>Maintenance of School Plant</i></b>		
14. Repairs & Replacements	100.00	80.15
<b><i>Auxiliary Activities</i></b>		
15. Health Supervision	85.00	64.91
16. Transportation	275.00	345.00
17. Tuition	3,500.00	3,034.00
<b><i>Fixed Charges</i></b>		
19. Retirement & Soc. Sec.	240.00	241.24
20. Insurance, Treas. Bond & Expenses	55.00	54.24

*Capital Outlay*

23. New Equipment	0.00	5.16
24. Contingency Fund	100.00	0.00
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TOTAL	\$8,971.00	\$8,375.41

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**  
**July 1, 1961 to June 30, 1962**

***Receipts***

Cash on Hand July 1, 1961	\$ 88.74
Federal Aid: Forest Reserve	748.91
State Aid: Foundation Aid	3,424.06
Local Taxation:	
Current Appropriation	2,921.52
Balance due on previous appropriation	628.48
Other Sources:	
Elementary Tuitions	1,050.00
Trust Funds	59.96
Other	9.40
	—————\$8,931.07

***Payments***

Orders of the School Board	\$8,375.41
Cash on Hand June 30, 1962	555.66
	—————\$8,931.07

***July 1, 1962 to December 31, 1962***

***Receipts***

Cash on Hand July 1, 1962	\$ 555.66
State Aid:	
Foundation Aid	3,905.72
Appropriation:	
Current Appropriation	730.00
Other Receipts:	
Tax Refund	153.60
	—————\$5,344.98

***Payments***

Orders of the School Board	\$5,187.11
Cash on Hand December 31, 1962	157.87
	—————\$5,344.98

**BALANCE SHEET***June 30, 1962***Assets**

Cash on Hand June 30, 1962	\$ 555.66
Accounts Due to District	
From Town	642.70
	<hr/> \$1,198.36

**Liabilities**

Excess of Assets Over Liabilities	\$1,198.36
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**STATISTICAL TABLE***for 1961 - 1962*

School	Total Enroll- ment	Total Average Attend- ance	Total Average Absence	Percent of Attend- ance	Average Tardi- ness
Benton					
Street	23	22.4	.6	97.5	.6

**ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE**

Michael Harris

**ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER*****Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1962***

Cash on Hand July 1, 1961	\$	88.74
Received from Selectmen:		
Current Appropriation	\$2,921.52	
Balance of Previous		
Appropriation	628.48	
Received from State Treasurer:		
State Funds	3,424.06	
Federal Funds, Forest Reserve	748.91	
Received from Tuitions	1,050.00	
Received as Income from		
Trust Funds	59.96	
Received from all Other Sources:		
Memorial Day Committee	9.40	
	—————	8,842.33
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year		8,931.07
Less School Board Orders Paid		8,375.41
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Balance on Hand June 30, 1962	\$	555.66

LENA COLLINS,

Treasurer

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**AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Benton of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1962 and find them correct in all respects.

IONA BOUTIN

Auditor

## ***REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT***

To the School Board and Citizens of Benton School District:

I herewith submit my twentieth annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

The total enrollment of the Benton Street School in 1961-1962 was 23, the average membership was 23.0 and the percent of attendance was 97.5. Three pupils attended on a tuition basis from the school district of Easton and two from Haverhill. There were ten pupils enrolled in other districts; three at Haverhill Academy, one at Plymouth High School, two at Woodsville High School, three at Haverhill Elementary, and one at Warren Elementary School.

At the Benton Street School this year the total enrollment is 12 in grades one through 6. There are no tuition pupils attending from other school districts. There are four elementary pupils and three high school pupils attending Haverhill, two pupils attending Warren Elementary, five elementary pupils attending Woodsville Elementary and one pupil attending Woodsville High School.

Your teacher, Mrs. Karen Patten, deserves commendation for her first year's work at Benton School. She prepares her work thoroughly, gets along well with the children and maintains a good school. Mrs. Patten also does some fine work in health and playground activity. I would like to see her return to Benton next year.

There are no Benton pupils graduating from High School this year. Next year we expect there will be one graduate.

Sending the 7th grade to Woodsville or Haverhill



seems to have worked out well this year. Our school situation is much improved.

I wish to thank the School Board for its interest and attention to school affairs. The rewards for school board service are revealed as the members observe the achievements and successes of the children. School meeting time is an excellent opportunity for fathers and mothers to express appreciation to the School Board.

Respectfully submitted,

RONALD A. PERHAM

Superintendent of Schools

**BENTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**EXPENDITURES 1961 - 1962**

**Administration**

1. Salaries of District Officers		
Iona Boutin, Auditor	\$	6.00
Mildred Elliott, School Board		10.00
James Leonard, School Board		10.00
Lena Collins, Treasurer		15.00
Ethel Boutin, School Board		
& Clerk		23.50
	—————\$	64.50
2. Superintendent's Salary		
Treasurer, Supervisory		
Union #34		65.71
3. Tax for Statewide Supervision		
Treasurer, State of New		
Hampshire		54.00
4. Salaries of Other Adm. Personnel		
Ethel Boutin, Census		8.00
Treasurer, Supervisory		
Union, Sec.		53.92
Forrest Clark, Truant Officer		5.00
	—————	66.92
5. Supplies & Expenses		
John Boutin, Sr., phone		2.00
Treasurer, Supervisory		
Union, #34		49.87
Lena Collins, postage		3.38
Ethel Boutin, postage & phone		3.50
N.H. School Board Asso-		
ciation, dues		10.00
Lisbon Special School Dis-		
trict, census cards		.60

Edson Eastman, supplies	9.50	
John Boutin, Jr., trip to Littleton	5.00	
Bank Service Charges	6.58	
	<hr/>	90.43

***Instruction***

6. Teachers' Salaries		
Romina Boemig	2,656.66	
Collector of Internal Revenue	512.00	
Treasurer, State of N.H., Soc. Sec.	104.56	
N. H. Teachers Retirement	126.80	
	<hr/>	3,400.02
7. Books		
Scott, Foresman & Co.	24.21	
J. B. Lippincott Co.	3.74	
American Education Publica- tions	23.30	
Follett Publishing Co.	20.02	
Houghton-Mifflin Co.	25.15	
Harcourt, Brace & World	6.90	
Lisbon Special School District	1.75	
	<hr/>	105.07
8. Scholars' Supplies		
J. L. Hammett Co.	69.55	
N. H. State Library, lost books	8.58	
Hill's, ball	2.95	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	7.40	
	<hr/>	88.48

***Operation of School Plant***

11. Salaries of Custodians	
Mildred Elliott	410.00

12. Fuel or Heat		
John Boutin, Jr., drawing		
wood	5.00	
A. J. Boutin, slabs, cutting,		
piling	42.00	
	<hr/>	47.00
13. Water, Light, Supplies & Expenses		
John Boutin, Sr., supplies	6.81	
N. H. Electric Coop.	72.54	
Scruggs' Hardware	9.33	
Norris' Store	2.05	
Mildred Elliott, hauling water		
& supplies	54.50	
Bailey Feed Co., salt & broom	3.95	
Ryegate Paper Co., table paper	9.40	
	<hr/>	158.58

### *Maintenance of School Plant*

14. Repairs & Replacements		
Iona Boutin, cleaning	15.00	
Laura Mason, cleaning	15.00	
Lloyd Mason, painting black-		
board	8.00	
Ethel Boutin, expenses	7.35	
John Elliott, Sr., minor repairs	14.00	
Lewis Boutin, working on sewer	3.50	
John Harris, working on sewer	3.50	
Scruggs' Hardware, labor on		
sewer	13.80	
	<hr/>	80.15

### *Auxiliary Activities*

15. Health Supervision		
E. B. Mann & Co., medical		
supplies	7.35	
People's Market, medical		
supplies	7.56	

Dorothy Moulton, district nurse	50.00	
	<hr/>	64.91
16. Transportation		
P. R. Gregory	182.00	
W. Eichorn, Treasurer, Haverhill	108.00	
M. Anderson, Treasurer, Warren	55.00	
	<hr/>	345.00
17. Tuition		
Josephine Sargent, Treasurer, Plymouth	205.00	
W. Eichorn, Treasurer, Haverhill	1,785.00	
M. Anderson, Treasurer, Warren	244.00	
C. Knox, Treasurer, Woodsville	800.00	
	<hr/>	3,034.00
<b><i>Fixed Charges</i></b>		
19. Retirement & Soc. Sec.		
Treasurer, State of N. H., Adm. cost	1.00	
Treasurer, Supervisory Union, Supt. Ret.	5.48	
Treasurer, State of N. H., Soc. Sec.	62.72	
N. H. Teachers Retirement	172.04	
	<hr/>	241.24
20. Insurance		
R. T. Bartlett Insurance Agency		54.24

***Capital Outlay***

23. New Equipment

Arthur Young, piano stool	2.00	
W. B. Clark, oilcloth	3.16	
	<hr/>	5.16
TOTAL		<hr/> \$8,375.41

***SUPERVISORY UNION NO. 34  
REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT'S  
SALARY***

Section 5, Chapter 243, Laws of 1953 of the State of New Hampshire, requires that school district annual reports show the total amount paid to the superintendent.

One-half of the supervisory union expenses is prorated among the several school districts of the union on the basis of adjusted valuation. One-half is prorated on the basis of average daily membership in the schools for the previous school year ending June 30. The Superintendent of Supervisory Union #34, during 1961-1962, received a salary of \$8,650.00 which was made up as follows: \$4,750.00 paid by the State Department of Education from the per capita tax and \$3,900.00 prorated among the several school districts. Allowance of \$1,100.00 for travel within the Union was also prorated as stated above.

The table below shows the proration of salary and travel charged to each school district. The district's share is less this year because of increased State Aid.

<i><b>District</b></i>	<i><b>Salary</b></i>	<i><b>Travel</b></i>
Benton	\$ 65.71	\$ 18.53
Easton	52.26	14.74
Franconia	458.25	129.25
Landaff	96.72	27.28
Lincoln	1,379.24	389.01
Lisbon Special	1,297.92	366.08
Lisbon Town	276.32	77.94
Lyman	119.53	33.72
Sugar Hill	154.05	43.45
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	\$3,900.00	\$1,100.00

RONALD A. PERHAM

Superintendent of Schools

# Births Registered in the Town of Benton, N. H. for the Year Ending December 31, 1962

Date of Birth and Name of Child	Sex	Living or Stillborn	Maiden Name of Mother	Name of Father	Residence of Parents	Birthplace of	
						Father	Mother
January 3 Rodney Carl Lackie	M	L	Elizabeth Martha Maynard	Francis Howard Lackie	Benton	Barnet, Vt.	Cabot, Vt.



## Deaths Registered in the Town of Benton, N. H. for the Year Ending December 31, 1962

Date of Death and Name of Deceased	Place of Death	Residence of Deceased	Age	Cause of Death
January 13 Alex Soucy	Benton	Manchester, N. H.	87	Senility
February 17 George Louis DeRocher	Benton	Keene, N. H.	71	Cardio-vascular insufficiency
June 22 William H. Bradford	Benton	Salem Depot, N. H.	60	Cardiac failure
August 29 James Coffey	Benton	Portsmouth, N. H.	66	Cardio-respiratory insufficiency

## Marriages Registered in the Town of Benton, N. H. for the Year Ending December 31, 1962

Date and Place of Marriage	Name of Groom and Bride	Age	Name of Parents	Name of Person by whom Married
August 24 Benton	Ernest James Welch, Jr. Lella Dora Mace	32 18	Ernest J. Welch Bessie Maud Avery	Ethel Boutin, Justice of the Peace
September 14 Benton	Lawrence Harold Laleme Sandra Lou Elliott	22 18	Francis E. Shatney Harold Laleme Ella Gilbert John Elliott, Jr. Catherine Mason	Ralph K. White, Clergyman

## **Program of the White Mountains Region Association**

The White Mountains Region Association is working to find new job opportunities for the region.

The Region Association is working to develop new recreation projects.

The Region Association is promoting its existing vacation-travel business.

The Region Association is working to encourage agriculture.

The Region Association is working with state and federal agencies for further economic advancement.

The Region Association is effecting an economic revival.

Support it with town appropriations and believe what it can do for all of the 47 communities in northern New Hampshire.

JOHN P. WILSON

Executive Secretary

White Mountains Region Ass'n



University Library  
University of New Hampshire  
Durham, N. H.

PIKE, N. H.

